

## Listing of Claims

1. - 36. (cancelled)

1 37. (new) A method for communicating with a down hole device comprising  
2 accepting a user input;  
3 creating an equipment command based on the user input;  
4 changing a physical influence comprising one or more primary  
5 physical influences associated with the borehole in accordance with the  
6 equipment command;

7 commanding a down hole device based on changing the physical  
8 influence;

9 said commanding comprising intercepting the equipment command  
10 and superimposing an additional command on the equipment command to  
11 command to the down hole device.

1 38. (new) The method of claim 37, wherein the physical influence comprises  
2 weight on bit.

1 39. (new) The method of claim 37, wherein the equipment comprises rotation  
2 speed.

1 40. (new) The method of claim 37, wherein the physical influence comprises  
2 tracer density.

1 41. (new) The method of claim 37, wherein the physical influence comprises  
2 mud flow rate.

1 42. (new) The method of claim 37, wherein the physical influence comprises  
2 mud pressure.

1 43. (new) The method of claim 37, wherein the physical influence comprises  
2 generating an acoustic signal.

1 44. (new) The method of claim 37, further comprising: entering user equipment  
2 commands in human perceptible form; and translating the user equipment commands  
3 into equipment detectable influences.

1 45. (new) The method of claim 37, further comprising: determining from a  
2 system state, available influence command states for generating equipment

3 commands.

1 46. (new) The method of claim 37, further comprising  
2 dynamically changing a system configuration parameter.

1 47. (new) A computer readable medium containing executable instruction that  
2 when executed by a computer perform a method for communicating with a down hole  
3 device comprising

4 accepting a user input; creating an equipment command based on  
5 the user input;

6 manipulating a physical influence comprising one or more primary  
7 physical influences associated with the borehole in accordance with the  
8 equipment command;

9 commanding a down hole device based on the manipulation in the  
10 physical influence;

11 said commanding comprising intercepting the equipment command  
12 and superimposing an additional command on the equipment to command the  
13 down hole device.

1 48. (new) The medium of claim 47, wherein the physical influence comprises  
2 weight on bit.

1 49. (new) The medium of claim 47, wherein the equipment comprises rotation  
2 speed.

1 50. (new) The medium of claim 47, wherein the physical influence comprises  
2 tracer density.

1 51. (new) The medium of claim 47, wherein the physical influence comprises  
2 mud pressure.

1 52. (new) The medium of claim 47, wherein the physical influence comprises  
2 mud flow rate.

1 53. (new) The medium of claim 47 wherein the physical influence comprises  
2 generating an acoustic signal.

1 54. (new) The medium of claim 47, further comprising  
2 entering user equipment commands in human perceptible form; and  
3 translating the user equipment commands into equipment

4 detectable influences.

1 55. (new) The medium of claim 47, further comprising  
2 determining from a system state, available influence command  
3 states for generating equipment commands.

1 56. (new) The medium of claim 47, farther comprising  
2 dynamically changing a system configuration parameter.

1 57. (new) A method for commanding a down hole tool device comprising  
2 accepting a user input;  
3 creating an equipment command based on the user input;  
4 changing a physical influence comprising one or more primary  
5 physical influences associated with the borehole in accordance with the  
6 equipment command; and  
7 commanding the down hole tool based on changing the physical  
8 influence.